# What's Happening Wednesday

Kansas Immunization Program

#### VFC Consultant On-Call

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**Chief Chat**— The Advisory Council on Immunization Practices (ACIP) met last week in Atlanta and made some new recommendations. There will be much more detailed information to come in the next few months, but we wanted



to just touch on some key highlights from the meeting as much has already been in the news, particularly about the new zoster vaccine, Shingrix.

Shingrix, a GSK vaccine, was approved by the FDA for use in the United States the week prior to the ACIP meeting. Shingrix is non-live vaccine given in two doses, two to six months apart. Studies show a high protection rate of up to 97% against zoster virus (shingles). Shingrix is expected to be readily available in the market in early 2018 and should be covered by insurance providers within one plan year. GSK has a healthcare provider dedicated website to house information about this new vaccine (<a href="www.shingrixhcp.com">www.shingrixhcp.com</a>). Three votes were taken related to Shingrix at the ACIP meeting after the efficacy data had been presented for consideration. The first vote was to recommend the use of Shingrix for all immune competent adults age 50 and older. The second was to recommend consideration of re-vaccinating any immune competent adult previously vaccinated with Zostavax (a live vaccine currently recommended for those 60 and older, produced by Merck) and the third was to prefer Shingrix over Zostavax. Publication of the MMWR with these recommendations is expected in early 2018.

A second major development from the ACIP meeting is related to mumps vaccination. The mumps working group recommended and ACIP passed a recommendation to provide an additional dose of MMR to those people Public Health determines to be at risk for developing mumps during a mumps outbreak who have two previous doses of vaccine documented. This very specific language was used because recommendations are already in place to vaccinate with MMR in outbreak settings where the person at risk has one or no previously documented MMR vaccine history. This particular recommendation was encouraging as it matches actions that were taken earlier this year in Kansas as we worked to end several mumps outbreaks. Our experience in each of those outbreak settings was that when this third dose was administered, the outbreaks were quickly brought to an end. This speaks highly to the forward thinking of our epidemiology staff and the local health department partners.

In other news from the ACIP meeting, it was reported that the early information about influenza strains being seen in the United States are included in the vaccine for this season. This is always good news to hear early in the season and a fact to help in promoting the vaccination of all persons over the age of six months. It was also announced that a new Hepatitis B vaccine is in final stages of FDA review, is expected to be approved early in 2018, and likely will be recommended at the Spring ACIP meeting. This new vaccine has a high efficacy coverage level and is a two dose vaccine given one month apart.

Have a great week and thank you for all you do each day to immunize Kansans! *Phil Griffin, Deputy Director, Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention* 

## Public Service Administrator – Vaccine Coordinator - Employment Opportunity-



We are seeking a highly motivated, enthusiastic and detail oriented professional to join the Kansas Immunization Program in Topeka as the next Vaccine Coordinator. This position requires analytical thinking and skills to coordinate the flow of publically funded vaccine from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to providers throughout the

state of Kansas. The ideal candidate will have demonstrated an ability to work in a fast paced environment with great attention to detail and an ability to analyze trend data and make forecasts of supply needs. This position supports both internal and external customer needs ensuring high quality customer service and the ability to shift between tasks as needed. Knowledge and experience working with federal agencies is ideal but not required. Knowledge and experience working with clinical providers offices is useful. Position requisition 188074 provides information about how to apply. Application deadline is November 9, 2017

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#### VFC Question of the Week-



- Q: I am looking for training material that we can use for initial vaccine administration training as well as a refresher for our current staff who administer vaccines. Could you recommend a good resource?
- A: The CDC has an e-Learn module that will assist you with this. *Immunization: You Call the Shots-Module Eighteen Vaccine Administration (e-Learn) WB2502.* This module will be a good refresher course for your current vaccine administration staff. It will also serve as a great resource for staff unfamiliar with vaccine administration. Best of all, it will provide continuing education to your nursing staff. The module includes training on preparing and administering vaccine, screening for contraindications, vaccine administration sites, and other vaccine related material. The e-Learn Module can be found at: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/admin-protocols.html">https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/admin-protocols.html</a>

#### **DID YOU KNOW**

After publishing 61 issues since 1994, IAC has now placed the <u>final edition (November 2017) of Needle Tips</u> online.

The lead story, "Thoughts on the final issue of *Needle Tips*" by Dr. Deborah Wexler, reviews the 23-year history of *Needle Tips*—how it began, how it grew over the years, and what's next.

The final issue also features the highly popular <u>"Ask the Experts" column</u>, focused on influenza, with questions answered by experts from CDC's National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases.

You'll also find a new patient handout for 16-year-olds—"You're 16... we recommend these vaccines for you!" from IAC and the Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine.

Click on the link below to download the entire November issue of *Needle Tips*. <a href="http://www.immunize.org/nslt.d/n71/n71.pdf">http://www.immunize.org/nslt.d/n71/n71.pdf</a>

# Data Loggers - New Requirements to Complete Vaccine Ordering-

**3 More Opportunities-** This webinar occurs three more times (November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup>. Please register for the date and time that works best for you.

#### Register now! https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/2647643077633906947

Please attend an informational webinar to familiarize yourself with the new and improved temperature management tools implemented by the Kansas Immunization Program. You will learn how to input your storage units into Kansas WebIZ to improve your temperature control and record keeping for your facility's vaccine. We will also explain how to upload the required continuous temperature monitoring file. This will streamline your reconciliation and vaccine ordering process.

Please register for one of the upcoming webinars and allow approximately 30 minutes to cover all the information. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

#### 2017-18 Influenza-like Illness Surveillance-

The Influenza-Like Illness Surveillance Network (ILINet) began surveillance for the 2017-2018 season on October 1. Thirty-four sites in Kansas are monitoring patients for influenza-like illness (ILI) − symptoms include a fever (≥ 100 □ F) and the presence of a cough and/or sore throat. ILINet sites also submit up to two specimens for testing at the Kansas Health and Environmental Laboratories (KHEL). These specimens help monitor what types of influenza are present in Kansas. During the week ending October 28<sup>th</sup>, ILINet sites reported 1.3% of visits were due to influenza-like illness. This is was a slight increase from the previous week at 1.0%. All data is subject to change. There have been no positive influenza specimens tested at KHEL.

#### **Aggregate Inventory Training**

The Aggregate Inventory Training occurs every Monday from 1p-2p, and the first Friday of every month from 10:30a-11:30a. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation submission, Vaccine Ordering and Return windows in KSWebIZ for Aggregate Users. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. *Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Aggregate (HL-7) Users Only!* 

Register now for the date that works best for you!

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6598705111102500354

#### **Direct Entry Inventory Training**

The Direct Entry Inventory Training occurs every Tuesday from 1p-2p, and the first Friday of every month from 12p-1p. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand screen, Reconciliation submission, and Vaccine Ordering and Return windows in KSWeblZ. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. *Please note: this call is for KSWeblZ Direct Entry Users Only!* 

Register now for the date that works best for you!

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#### **New User Training**

The New User Training occurs every Thursday from 2p-3p, and the second Friday of every month from 12p-1p. This basic training is for new KSWeblZ users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use KSWeblZ. We will be going over log-in, adding history, administering vaccinations, printing consents and pink cards. If you are a new user, please take the time to sit in on this training! *Please note: this call is for KSWeblZ Direct Users Only!* 

Register now for the date that works best for you!

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1572841858584797442

### **School Module Training**

The School Module Training occurs on the third Friday of every month from 9a-10a. This basic training is for new KSWeblZ school module users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use the KSWeblZ School Module. We will be going over log-in, adding history, education, and printing reports. Please take the time to sit in on this training! *Please note: this call is for KSWeblZ School Module Users Only!* 

Register now for the date that works best for you!

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## **Reports Training**

The Reports Training occurs the fourth Friday of every month from 12p-1p. This training is for KSWebIZ users who are wanting to learn more about the KSWebIZ Reports module. We will be going over the most often used reporting sections and how to generate reports within these sections. We hope you have time to sit in on this training! *Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only!* Register now for the date that works best for you!

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## **Pharmacy Training**

The Pharmacy Training occurs every Monday from 10a-11a and every Wednesday from 12p-1p. This training is for KSWebIZ pharmacy users that are new or would like a simplified refresher training on how to report immunizations to the state registry in compliance with statute KSA65-1635a. The training will consist of, logging-in, searching a patient, updating patient demographics, and adding immunizations. Please take the time to attend this training! *Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry Pharmacy Users Only!* 

Register now for the date that works best for you!

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Anthrax	3/10/10	MMR	4/20/12
Chickenpox	3/13/08	Tdap	2/24/15
DTaP/DT/DTP	5/17/07	MMRV	5/21/10
Hepatitis A	7/20/16	Multi-vaccine	11/05/15
Hepatitis B	7/20/16	PCV 13	11/05/15
Hib	4/2/15	PPSV	4/24/15
HPV9	12/2/16	Polio	7/20/16
HPV4 (Gardasil)	5/17/13	Rabies	10/6/09
HPV2 (Cervarix)	5/03/11	Rotavirus	4/15/15
Influenza (LAIV4)	8/07/15	Shingles	10/6/09
Influenza (IIV3 or IIV4)	8/07/15	Smallpox	10/01/09
Japan. enceph.	1/24/14	Td	4/11/17
MCV4/MPSV4	3/31/16	Typhoid	5/29/12
MenB	8/09/16	Yellow fever	3/30/11

#### **Vaccine Redistribution**

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter "Redistribution" to kdhe.vaccine@ks.gov or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464 Vaccine Redistribution information and lists.

**REMINDERS:** Providers may place the excess doses on the KIP Redistribution list if:

- 1) The vaccine has a minimum of 90 days and a maximum of 365 days before the vaccine's expiration date.
- 2) The ordering provider is responsible for any doses which expire on the redistribution list that have not been accepted for transfer to another VFC provider.
- 3) Providers accepting vaccine from the redistribution list are responsible for using the doses once they are transferred. KIP encourages providers to accept only doses they can administer before the expiration date.
- 4) The transferring and receiving provider will document these doses on their monthly reconciliation reports as transferred vaccines.
- 5) Once vaccine is transferred please contact KIP to let us know so we can adjust the redistribution list by either deleting the line or by reducing the amount of doses.
- 6) All vaccines must be in full boxes.
- 7) The KIP Regional Immunization Consultant who is on call must be contacted prior to transferring vaccine.
- 8) Providers are responsible for keeping KIP notified if there is a change in amount of doses available for redistribution.
- 9) When placing an order, you may be contacted if the vaccine you are trying to order is on the redistribution list.
- 10) Varicella and Proquad will not be posted on the VFC or Private Vaccine Redistribution List. Frozen Varivax vaccines are very intolerant to out of range temperatures. To prevent potential vaccine waste the KIP requests that Varivax containing vaccines not be transferred to other providers.

  For guestions regarding transporting vaccine call 877-296-0464 to reguest assistance.